

REMARKS

The Office Action and citations have been carefully considered. The issues raised are traversed and addressed below with reference to the relevant headings and paragraph numbers appearing under the Detailed Action of the Office Action.

"Drawings"

As suggested by the Examiner the term "a printhead controller" has been revised to refer to a "a print engine controller". As noted by the Examiner the print engine controller 148 is shown in Figures 11 and 12 of the specification and accordingly, we believe that all features of the claims are now shown in the drawings as required. These changes have been made in claims 1, 3, 6, 7 and 8, all of which previously used the term printhead controller.

"Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 103"

In paragraphs 3-5 of the Examination Report the Examiner objected to the claims as lacking novelty and inventive step in view of a combination of Rosenthal and Rumph. The Examiner went on to indicate that the subject matter of claims 2 and 9 were allowable.

The Applicant wishes to obtain speedy allowance of this application and accordingly is restricting the subject matter of claims 1 and 6 to the feature of the print engine controller during the received compress page data in a local memory means previously in dependent claim 9.

In view of these amendments and the Examiner's indication that this subject matter is allowable, we believe that claims 1 and 6 are now both novel and inventive over the cited prior art.

In view of these amendments claim 9 has now been cancelled from the application.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above it is respectfully submitted that the objections and claim rejections have been successfully traversed and addressed. The amendments do not involve adding any information that was not already disclosed in the specification, and therefore no new matter is added. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claims 1 to 8, and the application as a whole with these claims, are allowable, and a favourable reconsideration is therefore earnestly solicited.

Very respectfully,

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